

## BACKING GIVEN FIGHT FOR CIA

### 2 Lawmakers Indorse Lankford's Prince Georges Plea

[Washington Bureau of The Sun] Washington, March 27--Representative Lankford (D., Md.) has carried his efforts to have the new Central Intelligence Agency building located in Prince Georges county to members of the Senate and House Appropriations committees.

As a result of his letters to members of the committee, Representatives Preston (D., Ga.) and Sikes (D., Fla.) informed him they would back his suggestion that the CIA be located in Prince Georges county. Lankford says the building could be located on land now owned by the Government.

#### Langely Site Approved

The CIA has approved the location of the building at Langley Va. Lankford declares that this site would necessitate the construction of additional highways and an additional bridge across the Potomac River to carry the employees to the Virginia location.

In his letter to members of the

two committees Lankford said that "many millions of dollars will be necessary if the CIA is permitted to go through with plans to locate the new headquarters at Langley."

Lankford gave the two committees data prepared by the Prince Georges County Chamber of Commerce asserting that "it would be more economical and practical" for the Government to locate the CIA headquarters in the Prince Georges county.

#### Lankford Praised

Representative Preston, chairman of a subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee, told Lankford that "in our association in the House I have come to value your opinion and respect your judgment most thoroughly. Because of this, I am glad to support the Prince Georges county site for the new CIA headquarters."

Representative Sikes said "it has been my belief that the Langley site will be unnecessarily costly."

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